

FIGHT IS STIFFENED IN CLOTHING TRADE

Graft Charges Meet Allegations of Union Wrecking Plot.

BOTH BOARDS IN SESSION

Strike Pickets Are Said to Beat Up Workers Who Returned to Shops.

Executive bodies of the clothing manufacturers and of the clothing workers gave no sign of compromise yesterday in the struggle between the two organizations. The Clothing Manufacturers' Association, through its counsel, Harry Gordon, announced definitely its intention to call for a legislative investigation into the clothing trade soon after the first of the year, alleging conditions similar to those exposed in the building trades.

The General Executive Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, with representatives present from the clothing centres of the country, continued to work on plans for fighting the manufacturers. It issued a statement charging that in New York and Boston manufacturers are taking advantage of unemployment to create a lockout and cripple the workers' organization, while in the large Chicago and Rochester markets the manufacturers are holding to their agreements with the union.

The meeting was the first held by the board since the alleged lockout of last December, with the resulting unemployment of more than 15,000 workers.

Mr. Gordon said he had no doubt that walking delegates and business agents of the unions have been collecting tribute from the manufacturers by threatening to call the workers out. He added that in one instance a contractor had paid an agent \$5,000 to prevent a strike when the plant was busy on a war contract.

It was charged at the manufacturers' meeting that several clothing workers have been beaten up by strike pickets. This morning, it was said, a foreman for Schwartz & Jaffe, was attacked by three men on his way to work, one of whom laid his head open with a bald hook.

A. I. Shipacoff, manager of the New York joint board, said:

"Some manufacturers are raising the cry that they really want to bring down the price of clothes. They try to give the impression that the workers' wages are to blame for the costs. They conceal the fact that direct labor costs are only 25 to 35 per cent. of the manufacturing cost. They do not want attention directed to that 65 to 75 per cent. of cost where efficient management should bring a large shrinkage. They have definitely refused the union's effort to investigate management and our offer to cooperate.

"Lockouts will not bring down the price of clothes. Enlarged production under joint control of the workers and the owners, and the installation of efficient management, will make clothes cheaper. But the present leadership of the clothing manufacturers is not concerned with the price of clothes. It is out to smash the union—that's all."

ASKS CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CITY'S PATIENTS

Dr. Copeland Has a List of Deserving Poor Folk.

A plea for bounty with the statement that this would be the last Christmas for some of the patients at the city hospitals was made yesterday by Dr. Royal S. Copeland, Health Commissioner.

Among the special cases for which gifts are desired, said Dr. Copeland, are 137 men ill with tuberculosis, who need sweaters, gloves, shaving sets, woollen caps and similar articles; 30 babies and youths ill with chronic croup who would appreciate shoes, stockings, dresses and gloves; 12 women suffering from tuberculosis and 190 children who are ill with contagious diseases. The relatives of these patients are not able to provide Christmas gifts for them.

NAVAL ORDERS.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Dec. 18 (By Bureau). Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.

These naval orders have been made public: Lieut. Roswell H. Blair, to U. S. S. Hunt; Lieut. Edwin Brown, to U. S. S. Minnesota; Capt. Sydney K. Evans, to U. S. S. Pennsylvania; Lieut. H. O. D. Hunter, to course ordnance, Naval Academy; Lieut. F. W. P. Humeke, to U. S. S. O-8; Lieut. Alfred L. Johnson, to U. S. S. Michigan; Lieut. Francis E. O'Brien, to U. S. S. Delaware; Lieut. John N. Slattery, to duty R. S. New York.

PROFITEERING IN MEAT IS DENIED BY ARMOUR

Packer Firm Demurs to New Zealand Lamb Charge.

Argument on the demurrer interposed through Charles E. Hughes and Lamar Hardy to the indictment charging Armour & Co. with profiteering in the sale of New Zealand lamb was heard yesterday by Judge Augustus N. Hand in the United States District Court.

The indictment, returned on October 21 on evidence presented by Lester S. Kafer, special Government prosecutor, contains 137 counts. It charges that Armour & Co. imported 8,000,000 pounds of New Zealand lamb at bulk cost of 14 cents a pound and that they sold the foreign meat at prices ranging from 25 to 37 cents a pound. That price, the Government alleges, while far below that charged for native lamb, was unreasonable and profiteering.

Mr. Hughes challenged the constitutional validity as well as the sufficiency of the indictment and insisted that at this time the act cannot be sustained under the war power. He asserted that section 4 of the Lever act is uncertain and indefinite and therefore invalid under the fifth and sixth amendments of the Constitution and because it makes an arbitrary classification is discriminatory.

In reply to the demurrer, Lester Kafer insisted that the indictment was properly drawn. Judge Hand reserved decision.

TRIES BURGLARY TO JOIN 2 PALS IN JAIL

Lonesome Bill Metz, 17, Caught by Cop, Tearfully Pleads to Be Arrested.

MANY THEFTS CHARGED

Police Hold Office Boy for Examination—Active Record in Few Weeks, They Say.

Lonesome Bill Metz, an office boy, explained to the police yesterday why he feels so lonely.

According to Detective Herbert of the Sheriff street police station these are the activities with which Lonesome Bill brightened his evenings for the last few weeks:

Stealing fifty gallons of whiskey on October 15 from a place at Fifteenth street and First avenue and selling it for a dollar a gallon.

Stealing fifty pairs of shoes from a store at 325 East Eighth street on November 20 and selling them later for 75 cents or a dollar a pair.

Committing several burglaries on the

East Side, including burglaries in Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, and a few others which have slipped his memory for the moment.

Spending the proceeds of the burglaries on the movies, vivacious neckties and the lighter things of life in general, always, the police say, in company with two other young fellows who had been his pals in the various robberies.

Two weeks ago these other two were arrested and sent to jail.

Lonesome Bill was found in the darkness before dawn yesterday morning, according to the police, as he was trying to bore his way into a cigar store at 115 avenue D. Tears were running down his cheeks as he worked.

"Oh, I'm so glad you've come at last!" he cried. "I was so afraid you wouldn't find me!"

"What's the big deal?" asked the officer, a bit suspiciously.

"Why," said Lonesome Bill, "I've been the same since my two pals were sent up." Here he sobbed again. "I'm lonesome, boss; all I want in the world is to join those two boys again! I did this so that I could join them. Officer, do your duty."

The police are holding Bill for examination to-morrow before Magistrate Frothingham in Essex Market Court on suspicion of attempted burglary. He said he is 17 years old and lives at 631 Twelfth street.

\$90,000 FOR FIREMEN'S FUND.

Money Realized From Baseball Games Last Summer.

The Firemen's Honor Fund, the proceeds of which are to be used for the relief of dependents of firemen killed in

line of duty, realized \$90,000 from the baseball games between the Fire and Police departments last summer according to a report made yesterday to Thomas J. Brennan, Fire Commissioner, by W. W. Cohen, an honorary battalion chief, who has charge of the fund. Expenses were \$2,031.

Mr. Cohen has invested \$50,000 in Liberty bonds and \$30,000 in municipals and placed them on deposit from which the fund will produce 4.85 per cent., or \$4,700 a year. The principal must remain intact.

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Tres Chic Model		La Coquette Model	
Tortoise shell finish, decorated with real gold in leaf design.		Plain ivory finish. Powder box illustrated.	
3 piece set	\$32.75	3 piece set	\$25.17
12 " "	84.25	12 " "	56.63
18 " "	135.00	17 " "	87.15
Tri-Ome Model		Tres Chic Model	
Ivory finish, decorated with rose border.		Ivory finish, inlaid with black or orchid. Open stock. Mirror illustrated.	
3 piece set	\$27.75	3 piece set	\$22.24
12 " "	69.75	12 " "	51.75
18 " "	111.00	17 " "	84.75
Tri-Ome Model		La Reine Model	
Ivory finish, hand-carved dragon design.		Tortoise shell, clear amber and demi-amber finishes. Plain.	
3 piece set	\$52.75	3 piece set	\$21.62
12 " "	115.00	12 " "	47.94
18 " "	184.00	17 " "	76.26
La Pompadour Model		La Victoire Model	
Ivory finish, black inlaid with hand-carved cameo. Brush illustrated.		Hand-painted Bluebird design. Open stock. Clock illustrated.	
3 piece set	\$76.25	3 piece set	\$29.46
12 " "	200.00	15 " "	103.60
18 " "	328.00		
La Parisienne Model		La Belle Model	
Plain ivory finish. Cloth brush illustrated.		Ivory Pyralin, decorated with laurel design.	
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